CHAPTER 329

(Senate Bill 353)

AN ACT concerning

Crab Pots - Dorchester and Somerset Counties - Allowances and Restrictions

FOR the purpose of specifying certain areas in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay in Dorchester and Somerset counties where a person may and may not set crab pots.

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources Section 4-812 Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1982 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

4-812.

- (A) A PERSON MAY SET CRAB POTS IN THE WATERS OF TANGIER SOUND, INCLUDING KEDGES STRAITS AND THE SOMERSET COUNTY WATERS OF HOLLAND STRAITS, SOUTH OF A LINE RUNNING FROM LOWER ISLAND POINT ON BLOODSWORTH ISLAND, FOLLOWING THE DORCHESTER-SOMERSET COUNTY LINE TO ITS JUNCTION WITH COUNTY LINE BUOY A; THENCE IN A NORTHERLY DIRECTION TOWARD SHARKFIN SHOAL LIGHT TO ITS JUNCTION WITH A STRAIGHT LINE RUNNING FROM RANGE MARKER AA NORTHEASTERLY TO RANGE MARKER BB AND THE DORCHESTER-SOMERSET COUNTY LINE; THENCE IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION FOLLOWING THE STRAIGHT LINE RUNNING FROM RANGE MARKER AA NORTHEASTERLY TO RANGE MARKER BB AND THE DORCHESTER-SOMERSET COUNTY LINE; THE DORCHESTER-SOMERSET COUNTY LINE TO ITS JUNCTION WITH A LINE RUNNING FROM THE FORMER DWELLING OF THOMAS TIGNER NEAR HAINES POINT TO THE SOUTHWESTERLY MOST POINT OF LAND ON CLAY ISLAND, PROVIDED THAT NO CRAB POTS BE SET IN WATER THAT IS LESS THAN 4 FEET DEEP AT MEAN LOW TIDE.
- (B) A PERSON MAY NOT SET CRAB POTS IN THE DORCHESTER COUNTY WATERS OF HOLLAND STRAITS.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1983.